

have seen, and have held to, something  
 outside themselves\*  
 which they have seized with unwavering and  
 impersonal  
 faithfulness To this accepted ideal they  
 have again and  
 again made sacrifice To it, they have given  
 what was most  
 dear to them Up to 1914 they lived, in  
 the manner, very  
 much as they liked, although in the Minority  
 Report cam-  
 paign there was a vast deal of sheer social  
 drudgery which  
 neither of them enjoyed, and he frankly  
 detested But from  
 1914 on forces made themselves apparent in  
 the public  
 scene, which compelled increasing breaches in  
 their plan of  
 life and work When he went into active  
 politics and, above  
 all, when, in 1929, he consented, entirely  
 against his strong  
 inclinations and declared intention, to carry on  
 the ungrate-  
 ful task to become a Minister again, and even a  
 peer—then,  
 they were giving up, for the public good, the  
 most precious  
 thing they had their orderly routine of  
 constant companion-  
 ship They suspended work which they  
 enjoyed, and knew  
 to be useful, for work which they did not enjoy  
 and whose  
 utility they doubted They did this,  
 simply and solely  
 because to do so was demanded by their  
 sense of public  
 duty It is quite true that they have a liking  
 for many forms  
 of activity which most people do not like the  
 drudgery of  
 sustained research, the slow toil of conversion  
 through per-  
 suasion and argument, the sheer  
 effort of intellectual  
 unravelment But, when the call came, they  
 exchanged all  
 this for a divided form of existence which was  
 acutely dis-  
 appointing to both, and inevitably  
 unproductive

At no time have they sought anything for  
themselves,  
the world's rewards or its recognitions They  
neither are,  
nor have ever desired to be, rich They live with  
genuine  
simplicity some would say with needless  
austerity They  
have always, consistently, been givers rather  
than takers

This devotion is the fruit of no cold  
intellectual conviction  
"It is to some feeling in the individual  
conscience that we  
must look for guidance as to how to use the  
powers that we